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INCENTIVE TO SUGARCANE FARMERS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to provide incentive to the farmers growing sugarcane to increase the production; and

(b) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI HARISH RAWAT)

(a): Yes, Madam. The Government of India is implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme on Sustainable Development of Sugarcane Based Cropping Systems Areas (SUBACS) under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture in major sugarcane growing States to increase production of sugarcane.

(b): Under the scheme, assistance is provided to States for transfer of technologies through demonstrations, training of farmers and extension workers as well as farmers- scientist-interfaces, supply of critical inputs like farm Implements, planting materials, drip irrigation system etc. Funds are allocated and released to states in lump sum under Macro Management Mode of Agriculture. Besides this, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution is also providing loan to sugar factories for cane development covering the following activities (i) Setting up of heat treatment plants; (ii) rearing of nurseries; (iii) pest control measures; (iv) incentives to cultivators to switch over to improved varieties of sugarcane; (v) irrigations schemes.